

THE STATE OF FLORIDA 1915(b) PROGRAM

Project Name:	Medicaid Prepaid Mental Health Plan (PMHP)
Project Initial Approval:	July 1, 1993
Project Renewal Approval:	July 1, 2001
Project Renewal Expiration:	June 30, 2003

PROGRAM SUMMARY

The State of Florida operates a managed care waiver program entitled Medicaid Prepaid Mental Health Plan (PMHP), under the authority of §1915(b)(1); 1915(b)(4); §1902(a)(1); §1902(a)(10)(B); and 1902(a)(23) of the Social Security Act (the Act). The administration of the waiver program is the responsibility of the Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA).

HEALTH CARE DELIVERY

Florida Medicaid pays the PMHP a per member per month rate based on eligibility category and age groups. Medicaid recipients choose or are assigned to MediPass for their physical health care, and are automatically assigned to the PMHP for their mental health services. MediPass provides primary care case management and authorizes physical health services and the PMHP manages and provides mental health services.

BENEFIT PACKAGE

As of June 1, 2001, the PMHP was providing comprehensive mental health services to approximately 61,000 Medicaid recipients. The State plans to add four additional Areas and plans to continue the same basic requirements of the current waiver. The new expansion areas will be serving approximately 137,026 Medicaid recipients.

COST EFFECTIVENESS

Florida projects savings of approximately \$7 million during the two years of the waiver period.

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